

**SB0763**



**99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

**State of Illinois**

**2015 and 2016**

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Introduced 2/4/2015, by Sen. Martin A. Sandoval

**SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:**

40 ILCS 5/7-109.3

from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 7-109.3

Amends the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund (IMRF) Article of the Illinois Pension Code. Provides that certain firefighters who participate in IMRF may be granted Sheriff's Law Enforcement Employee (SLEP) status with the approval of the employing municipality. The approval resolution may specify that SLEP status shall be applied retroactively to employment occurring on or after January 1, 2011. Effective immediately.

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**A BILL FOR**

1 AN ACT concerning public employee benefits.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Illinois Pension Code is amended by changing  
5 Section 7-109.3 as follows:

6 (40 ILCS 5/7-109.3) (from Ch. 108 1/2, par. 7-109.3)

7 Sec. 7-109.3. "Sheriff's Law Enforcement Employees".

8 (a) "Sheriff's law enforcement employee" or "SLEP" means:

9 (1) A county sheriff and all deputies, other than  
10 special deputies, employed on a full time basis in the  
11 office of the sheriff.

12 (2) A person who has elected to participate in this  
13 Fund under Section 3-109.1 of this Code, and who is  
14 employed by a participating municipality to perform police  
15 duties.

16 (3) A law enforcement officer employed on a full time  
17 basis by a Forest Preserve District, provided that such  
18 officer shall be deemed a "sheriff's law enforcement  
19 employee" for the purposes of this Article, and service in  
20 that capacity shall be deemed to be service as a sheriff's  
21 law enforcement employee, only if the board of  
22 commissioners of the District have so elected by adoption  
23 of an affirmative resolution. Such election, once made, may

1 not be rescinded.

2 (4) A person not eligible to participate in a fund  
3 established under Article 3 of this Code who is employed on  
4 a full-time basis by a participating municipality or  
5 participating instrumentality to perform police duties at  
6 an airport, but only if the governing authority of the  
7 employer has approved sheriff's law enforcement employee  
8 status for its airport police employees by adoption of an  
9 affirmative resolution. Such approval, once given, may not  
10 be rescinded.

11 (5) A person not eligible to participate in a fund  
12 established under Article 4 of this Code who is employed by  
13 a participating municipality to perform firefighting and  
14 EMS duties, but only if the governing authority of the  
15 employer has approved sheriff's law enforcement employee  
16 status for its firefighting employees who are under this  
17 Article by adoption of an affirmative resolution. The  
18 resolution may specify that SLEP status shall be applied  
19 retroactively to such employment occurring on or after  
20 January 1, 2011. Employer approval, once given, may not be  
21 rescinded.

22 (b) An employee who is a sheriff's law enforcement employee  
23 and is granted military leave or authorized leave of absence  
24 shall receive service credit in that capacity. Sheriff's law  
25 enforcement employees shall not be entitled to out-of-State  
26 service credit under Section 7-139.

1 (Source: P.A. 92-16, eff. 6-28-01.)

2 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
3 becoming law.